

**To: Members of the State Board of
Education & Early Development**

March 16, 2023

From: James Fields, Chair

Agenda Item: 13

◆ ISSUE

The board is being asked to appoint a Commissioner of Education & Early Development.

◆ BACKGROUND

- State law, AS 14.07.145, requires the board to appoint the Commissioner of Education & Early Development subject to the Governor's approval.
- The board has advertised for candidates, vetted them for qualifications required by state law, selected and interviewed the finalists, and deliberated about the qualifications of the finalists.
- James Fields, Board Chair, will brief the board

◆ OPTIONS

Appoint a Commissioner.
Seek further information.

On this agenda item, if the board finds it necessary to discuss "subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person," under the Open Meetings Act, AS 44.62.310(c)(2), the board may vote to convene in executive session to discuss those topics before taking action in public.

◆ SUGGESTED MOTION

I move the State Board of Education & Early Development appoint _____ as Commissioner of Education & Early Development effective April 1, 2023.